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MILLBURY - On July 6, Caroline Ingalls will pay a call on the Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street. Dressed in the costume of her time and place, Ingalls will sew or spin while relating her personal experiences raising her daughters on the Kansas plains in the 1860's. Caroline's second daughter, Laura, made the Ingalls family famous through her "Little House" books for children. Caroline will be portrayed by Marcia Perlmutter of "Characters" Education Theater, Franklin, MA.

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Growth Along 146 Corridor Discussed at Breakfast Meeting

SUTTON - Over 130 business leaders and public officials gathered at Pleasant Valley Country Club on Tuesday, June 13, to discuss a plan of action for growth along the Route 146 Corridor. The Breakfast meeting was sponsored by the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce and guest panelists included Millbury Town Planner David Hulseberg, Sutton and Northbridge Town Planner, Theodore Brovitz, and CMRPC Executive Director, William Newton.

The Chamber's Transportation Committee Chairman, Ron Baird, kicked off the meeting with a summary of the Committee's work on the corridor. Baird said that, with the help of other committee members and local and regional planners, the Transportation Committee is looking at ways to manage growth along the corridor while retaining its aesthetic attributes. Baird also said that the Route 146 and Massachusetts Turnpike intersection was slated for completion by the State between 1993 and 1995.

Millbury Town Planner David Hulseberg gave a short slide presentation, illustrating some areas along the corridor that were growing and other areas that were depressed. Hulseberg said there is an enormous amount of land for sale along Route 146 and noted that developers are buying land for speculative purposes. He explained that developers are putting up strip malls in anticipation of business coming to the Valley, and he discussed the most recent mall proposals in Millbury.

Theodore Brovitz, Town Planner for Sutton and Northbridge, then spoke on past and current planning studies that are examining the 146 Corridor. Brovitz said that while several studies have been done, including master plans, an environmental impact analysis, industrial site evaluations, rezoning studies, and transportation plans, the one common denominator is that they were never followed up on and most recommendations were never implemented. However, Brovitz felt that this situation would change. "We now have more people in a position to follow up on these studies," he said. "And there is now more desire to implement these changes."

Brovitz also discussed the on-going natural resource mapping project and how it can be used for future planning efforts along the corridor. Maps showing existing land uses and zoning districts in Sutton, Northbridge and Uxbridge were displayed.

Brovitz pointed out that in Sutton, over 96 percent of the land was zoned for residential use and most of the commercial and industrial zoning that did exist was set up for strip development or located in critical environmental areas.

Brovitz showed other examples of poor zoning along the corridor in other corridor towns, and explained to the audience that "the towns along the corridor need to work together in creating business and industrial opportunities" by providing regionally consistent zoning districts and infrastructure.

Brovitz also emphasized the need for towns to get away from the commercial strip zones they have created and focus more on the limited access interchanges for commercial and industrial growth. He went on to say that towns should also adopt strong site plan review by-laws that allow public officials to effectively evaluate community and environmental impact from commercial and industrial development.

William Newton, Executive Director of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, continued the discussion with an overview of corridor planning projects that CMRPC was currently working on for Route 20 and Route 9. Newton explained some of the innovative growth management techniques that were being proposed or had already been implemented in these congested corridors. His hope is that these methods would alleviate some of the impacts of strip development. One method, regional review of developments with regional traffic impacts, has already been adopted in Millbury.

After discussing Route 9 and 20, Newton remarked, "There is no need to study the Route 146 corridor any more. Now is the time to plan. It's time to say, 'Hey, it's going to happen' and let's do these things to allow us to take advantage of the opportunity ahead of us."

All four guest panelists agreed that it wasn't too late to prepare a strategy for growth management in the Valley that will accommodate commercial and industrial growth while protecting the natural attributes of the Corridor towns.

Selected #1 in State

MILLBURY - Delegates to the State Convention (front row l-r) Philippe Gibeault, William Wood, Willie Morin. (Back row l-r) Frank Giacopello, President William Kane, Fred Vulter, Harold Ostrowski, and Dennis Leonard.

At the recent Lions State Convention held in Sturbridge, the Millbury Club received three distinguished awards: #1 Club in District 33-A (Central Mass.); State award for being #1 in the District; and Award for #1 Club in the State (this was the first time any club from the district has won this award).

The club has a membership of 65, and, during the past year, has contributed approximately $32,500 to various individuals and charitable organizations in Millbury. In addition, the club has sponsored a variety of projects for the community, including entertainment for the elderly, a health fair, scholarships, Christmas gifts for children, and the 4th of July parade and carnival.

The club's motto is, "We Serve," and members said they will continue to serve and try to win the #1 club award for the second year in a row.

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We The People...

A Supreme Violation

To the Editor:

Your June 8th report concerning the continual desecration of Central Cemetery, and the callous attitude of the Cemetery Commissioners, really infuriated me. The fact that one of them did not respond to messages left on his answering machine does not excuse him from guilt.

Shame on those who use, or used, this consecrated area for a dumping site!

I had believed that my family members were at peace, but, I am sure their souls are crying out against this sacrilege.

Such gross disrespect is a supreme violation, and those responsible must be held accountable.

C.A. MacDonald
Garden Grove, CA

VACATION

The Millbury-Sutton Chronicle will close for vacation from July 7 through July 21. ALL announcements and ad changes for the July 13 edition must be received by July 1 as this edition will be completed in advance. The July 13 edition will contain many photos of recent events that space limitations have prevented us from printing before, including the Elmwood School Kindergarten graduation, the June 18 Bicycle Race, Track and Field Day at Elmwood...and more! The Chronicle will **NOT** be published on July 20 and will be available to subscribers only on July 6 and July 13; no papers will be sold in the stores on these dates.

Calendar

THURSDAY, JUNE 29
MILLBURY - Lions Club Carnival at Windle Field from 6-11 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30
MILLBURY - Lions Club Carnival at Windle Field from 6-11 p.m. Band performing from 8-10 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 1
MILLBURY - Lions Club Carnival at Windle Field from 1-11 p.m. FIREWORKS display at 10 p.m. Band performing from 8-10 p.m.

SUTTON - A Strawberry Supper featuring Pineapple Baked Ham, sponsored by the Grange and the Waters' Farm Preservation Committee will be held at the West Sutton Baptist Church, Central Turnpike, at 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Proceeds to benefit Waters Farm.

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church, Boston Road, will hold an all-you-can-eat Ham 'n Bean Supper with continuous servings from 5-7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 2
MILLBURY - 4th of July Parade beginning at 1:00 p.m.

MILLBURY - Lions Club Carnival at Windle Field from 1-11 p.m. FIREWORKS at 10 p.m. Band performing from 8-10 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 3
MILLBURY - Lions Club Carnival at Windle Field from 6-11 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 4
MILLBURY - Lions Club Carnival at Windle Field from 1-11 p.m. FIREWORKS display at 10 p.m. Band performing from 8-10 p.m.

MILLBURY - The Millbury Parks Commission will hold it's 13th annual 2.4 mile Road Race today. Starting time will be 10:00 a.m. at the front entrance of Millbury Memorial High School on Martin Street.

TUESDAY, JULY 11
MILLBURY - District Nursing Blood Pressure Clinic at Asa Waters Mansion, 8:30-11:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19
MILLBURY - District Nursing Blood Pressure Clinic at Linden Apartments from 1-2 p.m.

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Conservation Commission Meets With Cemetery Representatives

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The second meeting of the month for the Conservation Commission got under way at 7:00 p.m. on June 21. Before opening the first public hearing, the commission met briefly with Lowell Swenson of 31 West Main Street, who, along with his wife, operates a greenhouse at that site. Swenson asked if he had to reappear before the commission for permission to fill in at the rear of his property with eight loads of clean bank gravel. Swenson said one of his neighbors in the rear of his property has filed several complaints, both to the town board of health and the state. According to Swenson, the Board of Health inspected the property and gave an okay for work completed and for the fill.

Luikey said the area designated was not a wetland, thus he would not require a hearing. "As long as you don't extend the filling, there is no problem," Luikey said.

Cemeteries

At 7:20, a hearing was held pertaining to the location of Central and St. Brigid's cemeteries in a floodplain. Present were Ray Ledoux, Cemetery Commissioner, Clarence Chase, representing St. Brigid's Cemetery, and Walter Weldon, Chairman of the Board of Health.

Luikey explained that sometime back in 1966 or 1976, the Army Corps of Engineers delineated and designated areas along the Blackstone Watershed as floodplain areas. He called attention to a section beyond the office shed that is shaped somewhat as a horseshoe and extends over and into the St. Brigid's Cemetery. He said it was an area where water would go if the Blackstone flooded.

Luikey also noted that some filling had taken place, which is illegal according to the state and town bylaws. "You can't fill in a floodplain. It's illegal," Luikey said. "Flowers, stumps, trash, etc. contribute to less water allowed in a floodplain if flooded." He explained that each yard dumped means 1,000 gallons less water capacity. "If there is nowhere to go, flooding becomes more of a problem. Our concern is that nothing can go into the floodplain."

Ledoux and Chase both asked what could be done with materials left after burials. Luikey suggested that they be stored in a dry area and that the highway department or others might be able to make use of them. "We can't authorize it (fill) going into a floodplain," Luikey said. "You will have to stockpile it, give it away, or something along those lines."

Chase made reference to the permitted filling of a pond in Auburn several years ago. Luikey in turn referred to a situation at the Millbury Savings Bank West along Rte. 146 as being legal since the 5,000 yards of fill placed in the floodplain was compensated by 5,000 yards of loam soil taken out by an abutter, Rte. 146 supply. He said there was not enough land at the cemetery to take similar measures.

Ledoux asked what would happen once the cemetery ran out of gravesites. "What do we do with others? Who do I see about that?" He also noted that St. Brigid's would have the same problem.

"What would any town do?" Luikey replied. "People will have to go out of town to be buried."

Ledoux noted that three-quarters of the cemetery is made up of old graves, and it was suggested that they could be dug up and used for newer graves.

Chase then asked if a special permit could be obtained to allow for filling in the floodplain. Luikey replied that he didn't see conditions that would be applicable to a cemetery. "Filling in a floodplain is out. There are no exceptions." He suggested that the Cemetery Commissioners check with the Wetlands Division of the DEQE. He also said that the conservation commission will check to see if there are any alternatives. "For the time being," Luikey said, "Stop dumping."

Walter Weldon then reported that there was some dumping at St. Brigid's cemetery. "There is a little asphalt that needs to be removed. There are seven or eight big strips. Where did they come from?" Weldon asked. Chase replied that the strips were dumped there by the cemetery workers after cutting strips along the roadway to square off existing lots. "It came from our own property," Chase said. "We will clean it up."

Luikey then remarked, "Don't put in anything."

Weldon noted that "No Dumping" signs along the Central Cemetery road are plentiful but that the St. Brigid's section could use more of them. Chase replied that more signs will be posted next week.

Chase also said that a woman had dumped old flowers from a grave right at an area where the signs are posted. He asked how they could stop everyone from dumping. Luikey suggested that the police could make a few more swings through the cemetery.

Ledoux told the commissioners that, as of July 1, the cemetery gate will be closed at 8:00 p.m. nightly, and that there is now only one entrance and exit to both cemeteries.

Luikey then said, "Cease and desist in dumping in the floodplain. As far as I know, there hasn't been any changes in regard to floodplains. You have to maintain the same amount of floodplain."

Weldon said that the area beyond where the logs are in Central Cemetery still contains a small amount of asphalt. "The area could be dressed up a bit," he said.

Luikey explained that the Conservation Commission was only interested in seeing that no fill goes into the floodplain. "Whether it's good or bad (fill) doesn't matter," he said. "The Board of Health is concerned with the type of fill. We're only interested in getting it out of there."

100 Grafton Street

At 8:00 p.m., the commission continued a hearing held over for additional information on flagging of wetlands, delineation of wetlands, and topographical and vegetation surveys of a lot at 100 Grafton Street. A cease and desist order is in force on the property.

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Robert Murphy, described as an experienced botanist and wetlands expert, and Michael Bourque, a registered engineer, were present with Farouk Ansari to present the information requested.

Luikey noted that the commission is concerned about where the wetlands end and the buffer begins and if work is being done or anticipated in the wetland area.

Murphy presented the results of his study of the area, showing the flagged areas of the wetlands, the buffer zone, and identifiable vegetation and soil which determine the delineation of wetlands as related to the buffer zone. He said he had walked the area and could identify a meandering stream. "There is a good water table heightened by all the rain," Murphy said. "There is a distinct edge to the wetlands, and the upland grade is quick and vegetated by trees as opposed to the wetland vegetation." He also said that the previous flagging was quite close to his re-flagging of the area.

Murphy emphasized that fill was outside the wetlands area, and said some trees were taken out and pushed aside. He recommended that the trees be pulled out from the dry uphill side. Another recommendation was to stake baled hay along the lower slope to prevent any possible silting or erosion. Murphy noted that the soil in the area was very porous.

Luikey asked Murphy if there were any other performance standards he would recommend. Murphy replied that trees and stumps should be taken out carefully, and, before any work is done, hay bales should be installed and left for at least two years. He also said he foresaw no siltation problems, and remarked that the grading and property topography is such that drainage will be indirect and will not cause any problems with water table levels for abutters.

Ray Rogers, an abutter, expressed concern with possible water problems on his property and in his cellar. Murphy assured him that, because of the drainage flow, the loaming, seeding, and the pervious nature of the soils, water would not enter his house. Rogers said the paved driveway would suggest a faster runoff of water. Murphy replied that the water runoff would actually slow down as a result of grassed areas.

Another abutter said a problem may occur with the water table on his side. Murphy noted that the land runs uphill and that the abutter's site would not be effected.

Luikey closed the hearing, notifying Ansari and the abutters that the commission has 20 days to write or not write orders of conditions. He also told the abutters that they have 10 days from the date of the order to file an appeal.

Landfill Capping

At 8:45, a representative of Cullinan Engineering of Auburn, consultants to the Board of Health for capping of the landfill, discussed a Notice of Intent and described the extent and areas of work at the landfill that would involve capping. He presented a graphic display and noted that a silt fence would be placed around the perimeter of the site. A hay bale dike will also be used. The representative also pointed out the drainage swales that are recommended by DEQE to protect the transfer station from any runoff.

The representative then explained the capping process: 1. the area is brought to proper grade by excavating and redepositing material. 2. it is then shaped and smoothed to avoid bulges and depressions. 3. twelve inches of clay are then put down, followed by 6" of sand and 6" of loam that is seeded. It was noted that this method is more economical than using a plastic liner. The representative said he prefers that plastic be used as a secondary layer. With clay caps, cracks will occur that allow venting, as opposed to the plastic. Glacial till will be used as real clay is not available in this area.

Luikey then asked if debris that has blown into the wetland area will be cleaned up. He was told that the contractor would clean up the area contracted, but not the adjoining property.

The hearing was closed at 9:15 p.m.

Duplex on North Main Street

At 9:15, Attorney Peter Keenan, representing John Cahill, 9 West Sutton Road, Sutton, spoke to the board briefly on the continuation of a hearing to construct a residential duplex home at 97 North Main Street. The house would be built in a buffer zone along the Blackstone River floodplain.

Keenan introduced Engineer Michael Bourque, who presented a drawing with calculations and locations of the site showing where baling will be installed to prevent any possible silting. Bourque explained that the land slopes rapidly upland from the banks of the Blackstone. He said that no work would be done in that area, but noted that bales would be installed as a precaution. Keenan said a chain link fence will be installed at the rear of the lot abutting the bank of the river as a precaution for children.

The commission took the matter under advisement.

South Oxford Road Property

At 9:30, a final hearing was held pertaining to a request of a determination of applicability relative to an isolated pond on land owned by Bill Forrest, Forrow Builders, on South Oxford Road. Forrest has five house lots, and intends to build single family homes on each lot.

According to Luikey, what needs to be determined is whether a buffer zone exists of 100' for lot #2, which borders the isolated pond. Engineer Mike Bourque, referring to definitions in the state code, said it is a gray area since an isolated pond has no entrance or exit outlet. Forrest said the pond covers about a 1/4 of an acre, is 6" deep, and has no entrance or outlet.

Luikey, explaining that he walked the area, said there appeared to be no definitive entrance stream but there was "weeping" of water into the pond area. Francis King, a resident of the area across from the proposed lots, said he thinks there is a definite entrance stream but no outlet.

Forrest told the commission that each lot would be about seven to eight acres and that 29-30 acres would be donated to a rod and gun club. He also said that two 50' right of ways had existed, but he was changing the lot frontage on some lots to accommodate an abutter whose driveway is

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F&G Granted Conditional Site Plan Approval

By Alec Belisle

MILLBURY - The June 13th meeting of the Planning Board got underway with a report from Mike Hudson, a representative from SEA, an engineering consulting company that has been hired to do an aquifer mapping study for the board. The maps, which, according to Hudson, are 75% complete, will include a base map and such information as the location of all test wells drilled, the major wetland system, sources of contamination, and all underground storage tanks. The last map is of the aquifer recharge system. As part of the study, SEA will also present an aquifer protection by-law that the town can adopt.

Knight's Limousine

Eugene and Carol Hogan, operators of Knight's Limousine Service, appeared for an informal discussion seeking the planning board's support for their application to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for a variance for property located at 2,000 Grafton Road. Hogan explained that he operates an airport limousine service and is looking to locate his office and ten limousines at that site. According to Hogan, only light repairs will be done to the vehicles on the property, with major work being sent to their mechanic.

Town Planner Dave Hulseberg recommended supporting the application on the condition that the Hogan's return to the planning board for a site plan review should the ZBA variance be granted.

On a motion by Anne Kniskern, the planning board unanimously approved a motion to support the petition, subject to a site plan review.

Wales Street

Louis Fantasia, owner of F & G Construction, returned to the board for the continuance of a hearing for a Site Plan Review Special Permit to operate a construction company at 28 Wales Street. Representing Fantasia was Attorney Peter Keenan, who outlined the procedures that Fantasia had followed. According to Keenan, Fantasia applied for and was granted a building permit by the building inspector "after a number of discussions for the proper use of the land." Subsequent to that, Fantasia purchased the land and constructed his building.

Keenan explained that in May, 1989, Fantasia went to the planning board and was told that he had to apply for a site plan review and that his operation was not a permitted use under the by-laws. "The Building Inspector still has the same opinion, that the use is proper," Keenan said.

Keenan said that Fantasia was applying for a site plan review and asking the board to review and approve the review and grant the application subject to approval from the ZBA. He argued that Fantasia wants to conform to all the rules, that he is going to the ZBA, that he has done nothing contrary to the by-laws of the town, and that the approval of the site plan review will be subject to approval from the ZBA.

Planning Board Chairwoman Anna Lewandowski opened the meeting to comments from the audience. Among the speakers were William Rogers, Noreen Joubert and Ed Joubert, residents of Wales Street, who said that Fantasia had promised to bring town water, sewer lines and gas to the area. At this time, only sewer lines have been brought in. According to Keenan, water and gas will most likely not be brought to the area because of the expense and easement problems.

Planning Board members Lewandowski, Terry Burke Dotson and Arthur Moore expressed their sympathy for the residents' complaint but as Lewandowski stated, "The board has no jurisdiction over the water; there's nothing we can do (about requiring its installation)."

Following a lengthy discussion of the conditions, the board voted 3-1-1 in favor of the site plan review. The vote effectively defeated the plan since a vote of four in favor was needed for approval.

After more discussion, a motion to reconsider was made, and the site plan review, subject to approval from the ZBA, passed 4-0 with one abstention.

Ice Cream Parlor

In other business, the board continued a public hearing on the site of the former Donovan's Ice Cream Parlor on Canal Street. Steve Estabrook, owner of the property, informed the board that he was in the process of making the improvements that were part of his original approval. The board asked that he submit a written plan of the improvements and the changes that he was going to make. They told Estabrook that he could begin making necessary improvements to the grounds, such as landscaping, paving, and lighting.

Millbury Amusement Center

The board held a public hearing on a site plan review for Millbury Amusement Center to construct an additional parking lot at their property located on Rt. 20. After reviewing the plans and conditions, the board voted unanimously to grant approval, subject to a list of conditions.

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On The Shelf

By Rosemary Waltos

June/July - Children's Summer Programs

June marks the start of another great summer of programs for kids at the Millbury Public Library. Check your local paper for more information on our summer lineup.

BOOK SWAP, Friday, June 30, 10:30-12:00 - children, grades 3 though 8, are invited to come to the library to swap their books with others. Golden Books and picture books will not be accepted.

AV LICENSING, Tuesday, July 5, 10:30 - learn how to run various audiovisual equipment, including 16mm and 8mm projectors, video and audio cassette equipment. Those receiving their MPL AV License will be able to use this equipment in the library.

READERS' THEATRE, each Tuesday in July at 3:30 - this is an exciting new program that will teach children about choral reading and allow them to experiment with many, fine reading selections designed specifically for choral reading. On July 26, the group will put on a special presentation in the library.

A VISIT BY CAROLINE INGALLS, played by Marcia Perlmutter, Thursday, July 6 at 1:00. Dressed in the costume of her time and place, Caroline Ingalls sews or spins while relating her personal experiences raising her daughters on the Kansas plains in the 1860's. For grades three and up. Registration is necessary.

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR, Friday's July 7-and August 8 at 10:30. Stories, crafts and activities for preschoolers ages 3-5. Registration is necessary.

READING CLUB, Tuesdays, July 11-August 8 at 1:30 - this program gives children entering third grade and up an incentive to read for pleasure during the summer months. Readers will be invited to participate in several activities that will prove to even the most reluctant reader that reading is fun. Registration is necessary.

FAMILY FILM SERIES, Tuesdays at 5:30 - bring your brown bag supper and we will provide the refreshments and the entertainment: **STAR WARS**, July 11; **HEIDI**, July 18; **RACE FOR YOUR LIFE CHARLIE BROWN**, July 25; **MISTY**, August 1; **CINDERELLA**, August 8; **MUPPETS TAKE MANHATTAN**, August 15; **FOX & THE HOUND**, August 22.

READ-TO-ME-CLUB, Wednesdays, July 12-and August 9. This club is for children in kindergarten, first and second grades. It involves both parents and children in reading together on a regular basis. Registration is necessary.

VOLUNTEER CLASS, Wednesday, July 12 at 1:30 - kids in grades three and up who are interested in volunteering in the Children's Room are invited to attend this class. Only participants completing our volunteer class will qualify to volunteer in the room during the school year. Registration is necessary.

EIGHTH ANNUAL STUFFED ANIMAL CONTEST, Thursday, July 13 - summer wouldn't be complete without this annual event. So, be creative and bring your favorite stuffed animal pal to the library to join in the fun. Registration is necessary. Preschool through 2nd grade, 10:30; Grades 3 and up, 1:00.

BUTTON, BUTTON, DESIGN YOUR OWN BUTTON, Thursday, July 20 at 10:30. Children of all ages are invited to make their own button creations.

LITERARY SCAVENGER HUNT - for kids in grades 4 through 8. Everyone's a winner with the YAC literary scavenger hunt! Gain points by reading great books of your choice from our scavenger hunt lists - old and new favorites of mystery and suspense, romance, humor, nonfiction and sports. Posters, albums, and books will be among the many prizes. July 18-August 1, grades 4-6; August 1-August 15, grades 6-8.

PACK-A-BOOK SCAVENGER HUNT, July 25-August 18. Participants will work in teams. Each team will be given lists of items every Tuesday of each week, and must return with as many items as possible by Friday at 4:00. Each item brought into the library will count as one point. Winners will be those who have brought in the most items at the end of four weeks.

CLICK! PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP, Thursday, July 17 at 10:30 - Special guest photographer Roxanne Horton will teach children how to take pictures with a 35mm camera. Hands-on practice in the "field" will be provided. For grades 3 and up. Registration is necessary. For registration and summer program information, call 865-1181.

Named to Dean's List

Newport, R.I. - Lisa Ann Mancini, of Colonial Road in Sutton, has been placed on the Dean's List at Salve Regina College for the Spring semester of the 1988-1989 Academic year.

Inducted into Samurai Society

Louis A. Mondor, Jr., of 36 Fairway Boulevard, Gansevoort, New York, was recently inducted into the Samurai Society, having qualified as the Northeastern Regional Samurai winner of the 1988-89 program. He is the son of Mrs. Beatrice R. and the late Louis A. Mondor of 14 Hayward Lane in Millbury, and was a former Millbury resident.

He was appointed Senior District Sales Manager for Professional Video northeast. The Samurai is a "Special Achievement Award" given out annually to regional, technical supervisors who are eligible for this award. It is the most prestigious and highest award given by the Professional Division of the Sony Communications Products Company.

In addition to the Samurai, Mondor received an all-expense paid trip, with spouse, to the Caribbean, a money gift certificate, gold lapel pin, gold wristwatch, gold Samurai ring, and a plaque.

Mondor scored in such areas as dealers' relations, presentation skills, sales training, industry knowledge, marketing, administration, and selling skills.

He is a magna cum laude graduate of Assumption Preparatory School and Holy Cross College, where he was a straight "A" student. He received the Hartigan memorial Award for Theology, holds a master of arts degree from Fordham University in New York, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Mondor was an assistant professor of Theology at Anna Maria College, where he taught for three years after graduation. He is married to the former Susan M. Alfield and lives in Gansevoort, New York, with their three children.

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Oxford Chief Offers Views on Selection of Police Chief

By Terry Barnicle and Alec Belisle

SUTTON - With the exception of Carl Licopoli, all members of the Sutton Board of Selectmen were present for their June 21 meeting.

Nursing Society Proposal

Jane Jung, President of the District Nursing Society of Millbury and Betty Hamilton, its Executive Director, appeared before the board with a proposal to provide nursing care to Sutton residents. Hamilton explained that the society has taken over the duties of Evelyn Shaw who retired recently from her position as Town Nurse.

"We are trying to maintain a consistent presence," Hamilton said. "We are physically available and may be reached by phone in emergencies; we have beepers." She went on to explain that the nurses want to establish relationships with their Sutton clients, noting that some staff members are Sutton residents.

Hamilton told the board that she is aware of the financial restraints of the town. "One of our concerns," she said, "is to control the number of visits which the nurses have to make; if we see more need for health promotional visits, we will discuss the matter with (Town Administrator) Dexter Blois."

A contract for their services was left for the board to review. Chairman Rick LaBonte said the board will discuss the proposal at a future meeting. "We're glad to have you," LaBonte said. "Evelyn (Shaw) couldn't be replaced by any one individual." Hamilton agreed, adding that it would be impossible to find a replacement who would put in the number of extra hours that Evelyn Shaw did.

BVRDC Review

Jack Connor, a member of the Blackstone Valley Regional Development Corporation whose term expires and who is presently a candidate for reappointment, met with the board. (At last week's meeting, the board met with committee members to talk to them about reappointment and allow them to voice concerns or suggestions they might have about their respective committees. Connor was unable to attend that meeting.)

Connor explained the function of the BVRDC, noting that they are non-profit, with a board of directors appointed by the Selectmen of the regional towns. "We are closely linked with the Worcester Business Development Corporation," he said, "one of the most successful in the country. They provide us with contacts. We assist Valley businesses that need more money which companies can't get by themselves. We're also linked with the small Business Development Council of Clark (University)."

Connor said that the BVRDC conducts seminars to help businessmen resolve their problems and help area businesses obtain grants from the State and Federal government. "We have obtained many grants from the State of Massachusetts," he said.

When asked for his opinion on the growth of industrial development, Connor replied that the Valley has promise, not product. He explained that the Valley doesn't have large tracts of land serviced by public utilities and that these services are needed in order to attract large commercial projects. He told the board that BVRDC allows towns in the Valley to approach the problems regionally, pooling together their resources and their votes. Connor also remarked that the Valley towns are all small but can produce a collective voice of some 80,000 voters, giving the region a better chance of being heard. This, he said, will make it easier to get the necessary services to various sites for large projects.

In concluding remarks, Connor said that he favors development that will provide quality jobs in significant numbers for area residents; jobs that will provide rewarding careers with prospects of advancement and good earning potential.

Pole Petitions

Al Trychon, of New England Telephone Company, approached the board with two pole petitions. The first petition was for a new pole on Pleasant Valley Road, off Rt. 146 near the MJ Casa Plaza. Trychon explained that offices are being constructed there and that a new pole location was needed to feed service to the new facility. Trychon gave aerial and underground alternatives for extension of the lines.

Carl Kasiersky, representing Casa, told the board that it is "critical" that they obtain power very soon.

Trychon suggested that, although the pole is on the Casa property and an aerial crossing probably wouldn't interfere with Town facilities, an aerial structure may pose a safety hazard.

Kasiersky agreed to the underground alternative. The plan was unanimously approved by the board.

The second petition was for the addition of five new poles and the removal of two existing ones on Lackey Dam Road. Blois expressed concern about the abandonment of the poles once replaced, stressing the possibility of a safety hazard. Trychon agreed, saying that he would try to expedite their removal but that cable TV and power lines were also using the poles. He said that though he had no control over these companies, he would try to get them to switch their lines expeditiously so the old poles could be removed.

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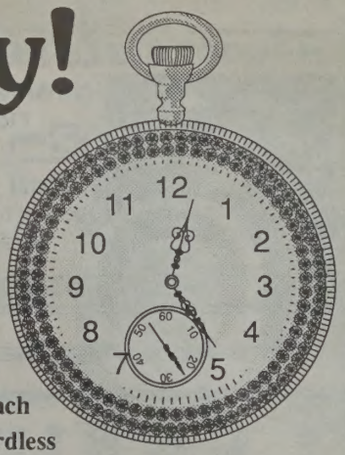

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Blois informed the board that they could revoke the permit if the old poles weren't removed in a timely manner.

The petition was unanimously approved by the selectmen. However, they instructed Blois to send a letter to New England Telephone informing them that the old poles pose a safety hazard.

Hiring Policy for Chief of Police Position

At the invitation of the Selectmen, Oxford Police Chief James Tripplett addressed the board about hiring policies for the position of Chief of Police. (Chief Robert F. Conley will be retiring in November.)

Tripplett prefaced his remarks by stating that he was hesitant to comment on the policy for appointment of a police chief because it was a decision that the board would have to make. However, he continued, "I feel so strongly about education and police work today, that I felt not only personally should I come but it was a duty for me to come here today."

Tripplett explained that he is a life-long resident of Oxford who began his law enforcement career while a student at Holy Cross College. He graduated from Holy Cross, obtained a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from Clark University, and earned a Juris Doctor degree, all while a member of the Oxford Police Department.

"I think police work is becoming such a complex job," Tripplett said, "that I think it's necessary to have at least a college degree for this particular type of work - in a day and age when knowing procedure is just not enough; when you have to have an analytical mind; you have to be able to do research; you have to be able to go out and find resources; you have to be able to connect with the community; you have to be able to write and speak in a very clear and articulate manner because it's very important. I say this from a patrolman's perspective; it's certainly much more important from a chief's position."

Tripplett said it was not his intention to demean chiefs who do not have a formal college education, but he emphasized, "as time goes forward, all communities have to look to the future as to the kind of people we all need to hire in the communities. "Towns would be selling themselves short not getting all the potential out of a chief of police that you can by not only getting the best qualified from an experience perspective but also from an education perspective."

"I think that everyone in this room would agree that formal education is certainly an asset in any occupation that has some type of professional skill to it," Tripplett continued. "And I think you have to admit today that police work is fast becoming more a profession than a semi-skilled job, meaning that you have to have a certain set of standards; there has to be continued training that goes with it; there's a certain set of principles that you must follow at all times."

In answer to questions posed by board members, Tripplett explained that continuous training and education is important because of the liabilities which now face police officers. According to Tripplett, the complexity of police work and the limitations placed on the police officer make it all the more critical that an officer constantly update and upgrade his knowledge. He said that a police officer must have a knowledge of 18 different subject areas in order "to adequately do the job on the street."

LaBonte asked if the Massachusetts Police Chief's Association and the Worcester County Police Chief's Association have any guidelines established for the position. Tripplett replied that the International Chiefs of Police did a great deal of research and recommend that a chief have a minimum of a college degree in some related criminal justice area, based on research studies that show that people with college degrees tend to do a much better administrative job and handle the law enforcement matters better.

Selectman Mike Chizy asked if Tripplett could explain how much more important an education is today than it was 10 or 15 years ago. Tripplett replied, "When I became a police officer, they handed me a badge and a gun and said, 'Here, go to work.'" He said the first thing he did was respond to an accident and asked, "What do I do?" He was told, "Just clean up the mess and let's go." "Today," he said, "you just can't possibly do that, there's liability for failure to do the job."

Tripplett explained that area towns have had suits filed against them, citing the Town of Ware where police officers were sued for failing to arrest a drunken driver. He also cited a case involving a domestic disturbance in Torrington, Connecticut, where officers failed to arrest a husband for beating his wife, resulting in a lawsuit for several million dollars. "The reason it happens is that the officers don't have the proper perception of the consequences, and that only comes through training and or education," he said.

Connor commented that having a college degree would not have changed the outcome of those incidents.

Tripplett replied that an area town "has had several civil suits brought against them. I really think that if they had the proper policies and procedures in place, I don't mean somebody just guessing, some really hard work developing them, I don't think some of these things would happen."

Tripplett also stressed the necessity of "on-the-street" police experience as a requirement for a chief's position. "An administrator can't possibly perform his duties without the knowledge which can only be gained from such experience," he said.

Responding to a question from Connor, Tripplett said that many towns are going outside of their towns to hire chiefs "because they are eliminating Civil Service and because they are looking for the very best candidates. Obviously," he said, "if you have someone internally who is the best qualified, it's great."

With respect to the policies that the selectmen will be considering, Tripplett said that the town should not require residency because it may eliminate a candidate who cannot afford to relocate.

The board thanked Tripplett for his advice and said they would give his comments serious consideration.

Town Hall Summer Hours

The Board announced that, for the summer, the Town Hall will be open only on those Tuesday evenings on which the Selectmen meet, the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of July and August.

Moore Co-Sponsors First Annual Fishing Festival

BOSTON - On Saturday, July 8, State Representative Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) will co-sponsor with the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife and local businesses, the first annual "The One that Got Away" fishing festival. This event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Webster Fish and Game Club, Route 16, Webster.

The fishing festival is for boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 16 from the following towns: Auburn, Douglas, Millville, Northbridge, Oxford, Sutton, Uxbridge, and Webster. For more information, contact Sean P. Canty in Moore's office at (617) 722-2692.

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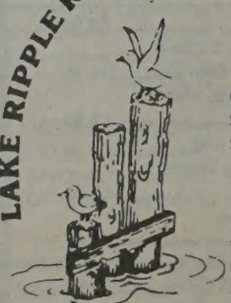

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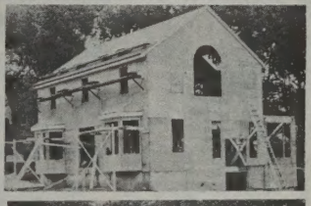

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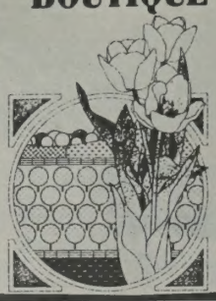

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We have ignored the message given to us by the legendary sage, P.T. Barnum: "There's a sucker born every minute." And I don't recall which other illustrious commentator came forth with "There's no such thing as a free lunch." These truisms indeed are true. In our desire to "take advantage" we have become increasingly gullible.

If these "gimmicks" are so good for the consumer, how is it that those who sponsor them show larger net profits than ever.

Can you recall what the price of *Spoon Size Shredded Wheat* was a couple of years ago? I paid $2.77 for an 18 oz. container. That's about 15 cents an ounce. That in itself wasn't so bad, except that there happened to be two prices on the box that I bought. I scraped off the top label and underneath it was a price of $2.49. Figure out who's paying for the 25 cent coupon that I thought was such a great deal. Of course, a ridiculous comparison with another processed wheat product, *Wheat Bran*, is startling. *Wheat Bran* can be purchased for 49 cents a pound. That's about 3 cents an ounce. Quite a difference, isn't it? Part of the difference is what it costs to persuade us to by *Shredded Wheat*.

Let's look at auto deals. The disclaimers on the radio, TV, and in print indicate that it will be very difficult to buy a car at the interest rate advertised, or with the rebate advertised. The price you pay is the price at which the dealers are willing to sell, a price that affords them the profit they must have to remain in business.

All of these gimmicks add expense to the cost of what we buy. Think of the time it takes behind the scenes in the supermarket for someone to sort and distribute the coupons. Think of the "fulfillment centers" that have grown up around the country in towns you've never heard of in States like Minnesota and Texas. It costs money to process these "money saving" devices.

How much simpler it would be if market forces could determine the price of a product, if everyone in the production and distribution chain, from raw material supplier to retailer, made a fair profit. How great it would be if merit rather than bargain became the basis for advertising. If I want to play the lottery, that's my business, but when much of the consumer goods distribution system becomes a giant lottery, things have gone too far.

It is kind of a "Catch-22." I do feel like a sucker when I'm behind someone who cashes in $10.00 worth of coupons. How do you beat it? I don't know yet.

These gimmicks come and go. There was depression glass, green stamps, Kool coupons. The list goes on and on. I won't attempt to predict what the next scheme will be, but I will predict that eventually, and not too far in the future, consumers like me will get fed up with the rigmarole of coupons, contests, and cuckoo capers.

Hillside Club Awards Scholarships

SUTTON - The West Sutton Hillside Club recently awarded scholarships to two local students, Cathy Stevenson and Nancy Whittier. Each received $250 towards furthering their education.

Cathy Stevenson, of 84 Mendon Road, will be a senior this fall at Framingham State College. She has been a member of the Framingham State Women's Soccer Team for the past three years, and worked in the Athletic office this past year. She plans to continue majoring in Early Childhood Education.

Nancy Whittier, of 86 Douglas Road, will complete her major in Hotel Restaurant Management at Northwood Institute Midland Campus in Michigan this fall. Recently, Nancy was awarded third place in a field of 317 participants after entering a Winter Challenge Contest sponsored by the Corporate Arts and Business Division at Northwood. She was asked to write a statement about Northwood to be used for advertising and recruiting purposes.

The Hillside Club would like to extend congratulations and best wishes to these two young women.

Middle School Honor Roll

MILLBURY - The Raymond E. Shaw Memorial Middle School has announced the fourth term honor roll as follows:

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Executive Session Draws Charge of Open Meeting Law Violation

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - On June 14, the Millbury School Committee approved the release of minutes of an Executive Session held on May 17, 1989. The session concerned a grievance filed by Millbury High School Language Department Chairman George Desrosiers.

According to the agenda for the May 17 meeting, Desrosiers requested that the school committee hear his grievance on the elimination of release time days. Superintendent Dr. Alfred Sylvia told the committee that charges and complaints were also to be heard against a professional individual who opted to remain anonymous and who requested a closed hearing. The committee unanimously approved Sylvia's request for an executive session. The press and three other people were barred from the session.

Present for the executive session, which lasted two hours, were approximately 18 staff members from the elementary, middle, and high schools. The group included team leaders, department heads, the Special Needs Administrator, Curriculum Coordinator, all three school principals, and Sylvia. No regular teaching staff were present.

As a result of the exclusion from the executive session, a request for the release of minutes for the meeting was sent to School Committee Chairman Chet Hanratty on May 23, 1989, by this *Chronicle* staff reporter. Hanratty said he could not release the executive session minutes on his own and referred the request to Sylvia.

On June 6, prior to the Annual Town Meeting, the school committee met in a public session in the principal's office at the high school to approve the school budget and to vote on other matters brought to the committee by Sylvia. The minutes of June 6 show that the committee approved both the regular minutes of May 17, as submitted by the school committee secretary, and the executive session minutes that dealt with Desrosiers' grievance, as submitted by Sylvia.

Following the June 6 town meeting, Hanratty was asked if the executive session minutes would be made available. Hanratty replied that the committee was asking for a legal opinion from Attorney Austin Broadhurst, of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, on whether the minutes should be released.

Following the regular meeting on June 14, the chairman asked for a motion to move to executive session for collective bargaining and litigation. This reporter again asked Hanratty if the May 17 Executive Session minutes would be released. Hanratty replied that he thought they would be available the next day.

On June 15, Sylvia's office supplied the *Chronicle* with copies of the regular minutes, executive minutes, Broadhurst's opinion, and a request from the District Attorney's office for regular minutes and executive session minutes needed to investigate the alleged complaint of the open meeting law violation filed by this reporter. On behalf of Principal Daniel Carmody, Sylvia also requested that statements written by Desrosiers on May 23 be included in any story.

Broadhurst's June 7 letter cited M.G.L., Chapter 39, 23B, "the records of any executive session may remain secret as long as publication may defeat the lawful purpose of the executive session, but no longer." The letter continued, "...I do not see that the lawful purpose for which the executive session was held, whether it be deemed to be the hearing of a grievance or a hearing of charges and complaints, would now be defeated by the publication of the record. Accordingly, in my opinion, the record of the executive session of May 17 should now be made public."

The executive session minutes state that Hanratty informed Desrosiers that he did not have grounds for a grievance under Article II of the Teacher's Contract. Hanratty told Desrosiers that before making his presentation, he (Desrosiers) would have to agree to the fact that the grievance was unacceptable. The minutes show that Desrosiers agreed to withdraw his grievance.

Desrosiers then said he wanted to present his views to the committee regarding release time days and other areas that were of concern to him. According to the minutes, "Mr. Desrosiers began by discussing the recent High School evaluation and the work that was done by the High School staff in evaluating High School programs. Mr. Desrosiers then indicated that he believed there were occasions when Mr. Carmody intimidated staff members by his comments." According to the approved minutes, several incidents were presented by Desrosiers, but those incidents were not cited in the minutes.

Desrosiers then discussed his concern with memos issued by Dr. David Troughton, Curriculum Coordinator, pertaining to release time days. According to the minutes, Desrosiers said that communications were at times unclear and that Troughton was not available to clarify what was to be done on release time days. He also noted that there was too much paperwork being requested and a number of teachers were complaining to him about the amount of paperwork being required. According to the minutes, "He (Desrosiers) also indicated there were a number of insults to teachers which pertained to ditto machines that did not work and morning announcements that were not clear or well stated. He

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indicated that any announcements to teachers should not be aired over the P.A. system but should be given to the teachers in writing."

School Committeeman Ed Wilczynski asked Troughton to comment on Desrosiers' statements. According to the minutes, "Dr. Troughton responded that his memos to department heads and team leaders were always issued well in advance of the release time days and that he made every effort to meet with department heads either as a group or on an individual basis. He justified the work being done as critical to having the curricula outlined in a sequential format from kindergarten through grade twelve and that this can only be developed through the exchange of information by teachers representing all grade levels." Troughton said there is a need to align the written curriculum with the taught curriculum and the tested curriculum. He also said that this alignment is never going to be perfect and should make allowances for flexibility.

According to the minutes, Frank Morrill, Chairman of the Social Studies Department at the High School, disagreed with Desrosiers' comments that Carmody intimidated the staff. Morrill said he has never been intimidated or had such feelings. He said Carmody is available to speak with and that he and Carmody often review concerns, and at times he (Morrill) has disagreed with Carmody.

The minutes show that Carmody then responded to Desrosiers' remarks, saying that he never knowingly intimated staff members or tried to intimidate staff members. He also said that he has presented his point of view on several occasions in an effort to clarify and to make staff members aware of his thinking when he thought it might be helpful to staff in their discussions. Relating to the ditto machines and P.A. systems, he said that he does his best help teachers in the use of ditto machines and does his best using the P.A. system.

The minutes also show that Sylvia said Carmody has never shown himself to intimidate staff in the 18 years he (Sylvia) has worked with him. "Dr. Sylvia indicated that Mr. Carmody is very concerned and sensitive to the needs of both staff and students and has always worked on their behalf."

Sylvia also said that Troughton is doing an "outstanding job as curriculum coordinator and in addition to his curriculum work has made significant contributions to the Millbury schools in acquiring Chapter 188 funds. He has also done a fine job in organizing in-service programs and in working with the staff to improve test results." Sylvia concluded by stating that he has ben most pleased with the overall efforts of the teaching staff and is very proud of their work to improve instructional programs.

The meeting concluded by several staff members making brief comments supporting the work that has been taking place in the school system and the work done by Troughton. (The minutes do not cite who those staff members were or what their statements were to the committee.)

School committee members (unnamed) also noted the many improvements that have taken place over the past several years and the excellent cooperation received by department heads, team leaders and the teaching staff to improve instructional programs at all levels.

According to the minutes, Committeeman Bruce Pease told Desrosiers that he could have made his concerns known without going through the grievance procedure. The executive session concluded at 10:11 p.m.

Six days following the executive session, Desrosiers sent a handwritten letter to Hanratty, dated May 23, 1989, thanking the committee for having listened to his recitation of grievances.

Desrosiers said he was not attempting to do a "bag job" on Carmody. "It was not until later that I realized that I had forgotten to mention my tempering remarks. Specifically," Desrosiers said, "I have on numerous occasions seen Mr. Carmody bend over backwards to be fair and to make up for possible problems that have arisen." After citing two specific instances, Desrosiers said, "There have been other instances. I do know Mr. Carmody to be very fair, and I wanted to correct any wrong impression I may have left in this regard."

The letter concluded by Desrosiers saying he had apologized to Carmody and "is in his debt for the gracious way he received me - considering the stupidity of my oversight."

No decision on the alleged open meeting law violation had been received as yet from the Attorney General.

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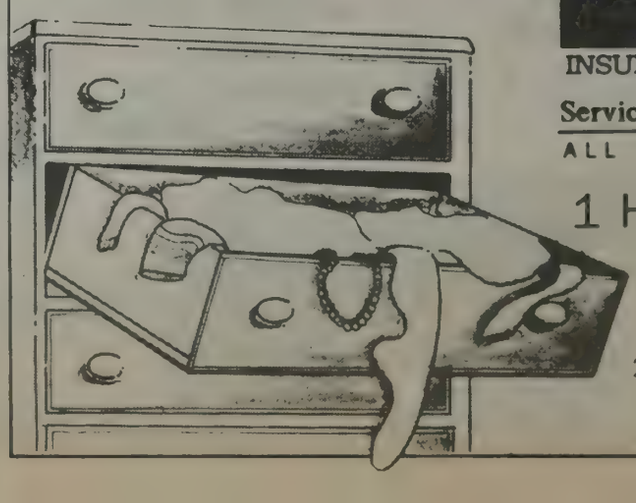

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Assumption School News

By Grace Laflash

For the closing exercises, Rita Comeau's eighth grade chose the theme, "Tomorrow." Class President Carmin Szynal addressed the assembly. Following the Eucharistic Celebration, The Rev. Msgr. Mederic J. Roberts, Pastor, and Sister Bernadette Sweeney, Principal, presented certificates to the class, and The Rev. Mr. Robert J. Tremblay, Deacon, presented each with his gift, a Susan B. Anthony silver dollar.

The graduates were as follows: Scott Baron, Mark Brady, Amy Cahill, Michael Coco, Jason DiPietro, Thaddeus Endriga, Michelle Goodreau, Colleen Hines, Kristin Jalbert, Matthew Kenary, Kim Kilgore, Aaron Kuchle, Eric Kuchle, Kristin LaPorte, Michele McQuiston, Christine Murphy, Rebecca Prince, Daniele Recore, Paul Rice, Carl Rushton, Michael Snow, Carmin Szynal, and Juliann Vaillancourt.

The following received scholarships from the Assumption Parish Scholarship Committee: Eric Kuchle, Michelle Goodreau, $200; Kristin Jalbert, Rebecca Prince, $300; Kim Kilgore, Michele McQuiston, and Carmin Szynal, $500.

The Men's Club of the parish awarded $75 to the following: Aaron Kuchle, Daniele Recore, Carl Rushton.

George D'Auteuil presented the First Annual George Riel Scholarship of $100 to Carmin Szynal and the Fifth Annual Jean Dell'Aquila Scholarship of $100 to Colleen Hines.

Paul Turgeon Jr. gave the Assumption Award of $100 to Kristin Jalbert, and Sister Bernadette Sweeney presented the Top Student Award of $100 to Carmin Szynal.

How much noise is bad for your hearing?

BOSTON - Most of us realize that piercing sound such as construction site noise or a shrill whistle can actually cause ear pain and harm our hearing. But, according to specialists at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston, many people don't know that sound that is not loud enough to hurt can still damage hearing

"There doesn't have to be pain associated with it," says Charles Liberman, Ph.D., an investigator at the Infirmary's Eaton Peabody of Auditory Physiology. "Although we have all been exposed to sounds which are painfully loud, what's startling and unfortunate is that sound levels below those which are painful can seriously damage hearing."

There are two ways which noise can damage hearing Liberman says. Rapid, very high intensity sound such as a firecracker going off close to an ear can rupture the eardrum or do other damage to the sound-conducting tissues (the muscles and small bones of the middle ear).

Longer term, steady noises such as those found in factories can also damage hearing, says Liberman. They may not be quite as intense, and do not cause pain in the ear, but can continue for hours at a time. This type of continuous noise does not affect the sound conducting apparatus of the ear, but can damage the sensory cells and the tiny nerve endings which connect them in the inner ear.

"The most vulnerable elements in the ear are these sensory cells," says Liberman. "They are like brain cells in that once they are gone, they won't come back." The amount of damage sound does to the sensory cells is directly connected to its duration and intensity. The louder the sound, the shorter time it takes to do damage.

The American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery recommends that people not be exposed to sound levels of more than 80 decibels for more than eight hours a day. Heavy city traffic, factories, and subways produce sound levels of around 80 decibels. Normal conversation is about 60 decibels. At 120 decibels, such as at a rock concert in front of the speakers, the danger to hearing is immediate.

Complicating the decibel factor, says Liberman, is that high frequency noise is far more damaging that low frequency noise. Generally, the higher pitched or more shrill a noise is, the higher it is in frequency. For example, smoke alarm noise is usually high in frequency.

So how can you tell if sound is too loud if it doesn't actually hurt? The only way to be sure is to be safe and follow these tips:

1. In situations were it is appropriate, wear professional ear plugs or ear muffs. Some of the most effective ear plugs consist of small moldable foam which can be shaped to fit into the ear canal and are available at most pharmacies. Both ear plugs and ear muffs can provide about 30 decibels of protection.
2. Do not expose yourself to loud noise without protection frequently or for long periods of time. Don't sit near the speakers at rock concerts. And if you work with lawn mowers or home power tools, and won't wear earplugs, take frequent breaks. The longer you are exposed to noise without interruption, the more dangerous it is.
3. Be careful using personal stereos. A few hours a day is enough to damage hearing if too loud. If a person is wearing stereo earphones and the sound can be heard by someone standing nearby, the stereo is too loud.
4. If you have to shout over background noise to be heard, or if noise hurts your ears or makes them ring, then the noise is too loud and may damage your hearing.

Everyone should have periodic hearing tests, says Liberman, but should see an ear, nose and throat specialist soon if they have difficulty understanding conversation when there is background noise. This may be the first sign of noise-induced hearing loss.

This information is provided by the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston. If you would like more information about this topic, contact Christopher Miller, Office of Public Affairs, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, 243 Charles Street, Boston, MA 02114, (617) 573-3340.

Lions Club Parade

MILLBURY - The annual 4th of July Parade will begin at 1:00 p.m. on July 2. The parade will begin at Main and Martin Streets, proceed along Main Street, turn right onto Grove Street, left onto Water Street, left onto Elm Street, and end at Providence and Maple Streets. The Millbury Lions Club will begin blocking off the necessary streets at noon.

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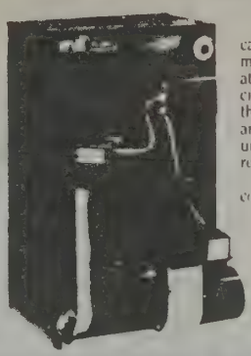

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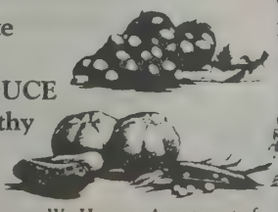

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By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

*Mother and I took a trip to Maine recently. Now, that's a real study in human nature or theologically in "sinful nature." The old "Chev" has a cruise control on it from Sears and Roebuck, and it works just fine. Set it at the speed limit of 55 here in Massachusetts and everyone goes by you like you're standing still. Then, when you hit the New Hampshire border and set it at 65, which is their speed limit, and you go over to the "hammer lane" as the truckers call it, you can pass almost everybody. About the only car to pass me was a good old Studebaker which probably could remember when the speed limit on the Portland Pike was 70 miles per hour.

I don't quite understand why the speed limit has to be either 55 or 65. What ever happened to good old 60 miles per hour? That seems like a common speed and a more sensible one. Why not 60 for the whole Mass. Pike instead of 55 from here to Boston and 65 from here to the New York State border? Give us a break!!

While up in Maine, we learned of a man over 81 years of age, and blind in one eye, who struck and killed a 30-year-old woman on a camp road. There's some debate now as to when to tell our Senior Citizens to quit driving. It would be quite a task to set an age limit on driving, although we do on the lower end of the spectrum. We all know of a boy who is an excellent mechanic and owns his own Model T Ford, but couldn't get a license because of his age. When I went to get my Pilot's License, I had to have a physical exam. Why not a physical exam for car drivers?

Summertime is traveling time. May the good Lord grant to you all traveling mercies and a safe and wonderful summertime. Amen.

* "Mother" (Mahthah) is a Down East Main Yankee expression which is used interchangeably with "wife."

Sutton Senior News

WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

MONDAY: all day doctor appointments (van). Walking club at 9 a.m., Town Hall. Crafts closed for summer; will begin again in September.

TUESDAY: lunch at noon. The office will be closed on July 4th, Independence Day. The recorder will be on for messages.

WEDNESDAY: lunch at noon. July 5, golden age meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 3rd floor.

THURSDAY: grocery shopping (van) for all. Orchard Apartments: health checks from 8-9:30 a.m.; Info./Ref, 10-11:30 a.m.

FRIDAY: lunch at noon. Blood pressures clinic in the library from 12:30-1:00 p.m. Bowling in Webster at 1:15 p.m.

BERMUDA TRIP: a deposit of $100 must be in by July 7th, with the name of your roommate included. ALL AREA seniors are welcome to come. Call Alberta at the COA office (865-9798) for more information.

Recent Graduate

MILLBURY - James W. Cadorette recently received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Bridgewater State College, Bridgewater, MA. He graduated Magna Cum Laude. He will be employed by Greenberg, Rosenblatt, Kull and Bitsoli PC, Worcester. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cadorette of 1542 Grafton Road, East Millbury.

Houston Named to Panel Investigating Recent Oil Price Hikes

BOSTON - Senator John P. Houston (D-Worcester) was recently named to the Massachusetts Energy Office's team investigating a dramatic increase in gasoline and home heating oil that has occurred since the Alaskan oil spill.

"This across the aboard increase is fishy," Houston said. "I am concerned that oil companies could be taking advantage of the spill."

Nationwide, inflation rose drastically last month, with oil prices rising faster than they have in 50 years, according to the U.S. Labor Department. In announcing the investigation, Massachusetts Energy Secretary Sharon Pollard cited increases of as much as 19 cents a gallon at one Boston area gas station since just before the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

"We have already paid dearly for the spill in the form of the incalculable cost of an environmental tragedy," Houston said. "We should not have to pay again at the local gas pump."

Houston also noted that many retailers are absorbing some of an even higher increase experienced at the wholesale level. "It's certainly not the station owners' fault that prices have jumped," he said. Wholesale prices rose an average of 22 cents a gallon statewide between March 10 and April 21, according to the Energy Office.

Houston, Pollard, Senator Nicholas Costello (D-Amesbury), and Rep. Lawrence Alexander (D-Marblehead) will investigate the reasons for the price hikes, and will report their findings at the end of June. If, at that time, the Energy Office suspects any consumer fraud on the part of the oil companies, the Massachusetts Attorney General and the U.S. Department of Justice will be notified for possible legal action.

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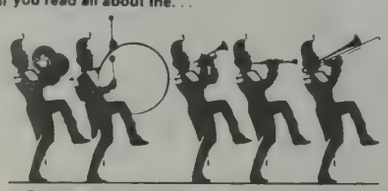
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presently on his (Forrest's) land. Forrest said he intends to sell a portion of that land so the abutter can have total control over his driveway.

King asked if Forrest intended to fill in any of the lots. Luikey said he was not sure if the area is in a buffer zone. "We will check it out. It will be hay baled anyway, in case," Luikey said.

King then questioned the perc tests. Forrest replied that all lots passed perc tests and were approved by the Board of Health. Luikey said the commission accepts the board of health's ruling. According to Forrest, the five lots were also accepted and approved by the Planning Board.

Luikey said that a determination will have to be made if Lot #2 is effected by a buffer. "If there is no buffer, it will be out of our jurisdiction," he said.

The hearing closed at 9:50 p.m., completing the agenda.

Sutton High Class of '33 Holds Reunion

SUTTON - The Class of 1933, Sutton High School, held its 56th reunion on June 22 at the Cocke 'n Kettle Restaurant in Uxbridge. Seven of the eight graduates attended, besides four guests: Graduates - Henry Malkasian of Paxton, Class President; Mary (Putnam) Thompson of Long Beach, California; Alice (Batcheller) Lowe of So. Fort Meyers, Florida; Doris (Conley) Picard of Whitinsville; Helen (Clark) Pierce of Shrewsbury; Louisa (Chase) Waner of Wilkinsonville; and Arthur Moe of Millbury. The guests included Barbara Beaton, Oscar Picard, Lawrence Pierce, and John Waner.

After dinner, the Class of '33 and guests were invited to the home of John and Louisa Waner in Wilkinsonville for a night of "Memories." Later in the evening, a call was put through to Clemence Fay (Grandchamp) Heide of Palm City, Florida, who was unable to attend because of illness, so that she could be included in the celebration.

Neighborhood Nature

WORCESTER - "Neighborhood Nature - Your Neighborhood is Wilder Than You May Think" is a six-week summer park nature program offered by the Worcester Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with Massachusetts Audubon: Worcester. Mass. Audubon Naturalist Gail Howe will help children age five and up explore the creatures and critters, flowers and fungi, insects and imagination, and whatever else they may find the park during the one-hour sessions. Young children must be accompanied by an adult or older child.

The program will take place as follows: Thursdays, July 13, 20, and 27, 9:30 a.m., University Park; 12:30 at Crompton Park; and 3:00 p.m. at Greenwood Park. Also, Thursdays, August 3, 10, and 17, 9:30 a.m. at Burncoat Park, 12:30 p.m. at Lake Park, and 3:00 p.m. at East Park.

Neighborhood Nature is free and open to the public; no registration is required. For further information, call Massachusetts Audubon: Worcester at 755-8899, the Worcester Parks Department at 799-1290, or the Parks and Recreation 24-hour Events Line at 797-5543.

Elderly Home Care Protected in Senate Budget

BOSTON - Senator John P. Houston (D-Worcester) led the charge in the state Senate to protect elders from excessive cutbacks in home care services proposed in the Senate Ways and Means Committee budget. Houston's amendments will keep afloat programs that offer low-income seniors alternatives to nursing homes. These "home care" programs bring medical care and other services, such as cooking and cleaning assistance, directly to the homes of elder people.

"No one wants to see their parents and grandparents unnecessarily placed in a nursing home," Houston said. "But that can be the only alternative for many families when home care is not available."

Houston said that many senior citizens value the independence they keep by staying at home. "It not only makes sense for them, but it makes sense for the state to support these programs that keep our elders out of costly state-supported nursing homes," he said.

Funding for the programs that passed the Senate is also in the House version of the budget and is therefore expected to be included in the final budget for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1.

Houston's amendments will allow home care services to continue at about the same level as at the end of this year. "This is bare maintenance," Houston said. "Without these funds, we'd have to cut people from the program."

The amendments provide $2.72 million for home care services and $1.3 million for the salaries of home care workers. Houston said the salary increases were necessary to keep the programs running. "I worried that these dedicated workers who have been denied cost of living increases for the past two years would be forced out of the field if they were again denied a salary increase," he said. Houston commended Tri-Valley Elder Services in Southbridge, Elder Home Care in Worcester, and Bay Path Senior Services in Framingham for the excellent work they are doing with limited resources.

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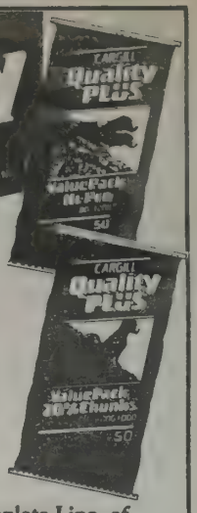

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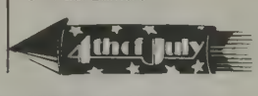
Track and Field Days

MILLBURY - **GRADE 1:** After a rainy Thursday, the Elmwood first graders enjoyed their first track and field day. In Mrs. Fagan's homeroom, Jenna Pojani, Peter Devine, and Ray Richards all turned in double win performances, and Cassie Boucher narrowly missed with a win in the 250 loop and a close second in the girls' ball throw. Debbie Rodrigues (Mrs. Dowgert's) and Megan Swett (Mrs. Anderson's) were also double winners, while Matt Orsi and Jesse Guzzetti each had a win and a place for Mrs. Chafetz's homeroom.

GIRLS' 400
1 - Debbie Rodrigues
2 - Lindsay Thulin
3 - Crystal Caron
GIRLS' 300
1 - Kristen Fournier
2 - Noelle Ebert
3 - Tara Lebel
GIRLS' 200
1 - Jenna Pojani
2 - Jennifer Burnham
3 - Katie Louis
GIRLS' 100
1 - Jennifer Speight
2 - Sarah Lillie
3 - Heidi Wassell
GIRLS' 75
1 - Alissa King
2 - Vanessa Fields
3 - Angela Mosso
GIRLS' 50
1 - Jenna Pojani
2 - Lindsay Thulin
3 - Noelle Ebert
GIRLS' 25
1 - Kim Marentette
2 - Deborah Mullen
3 - Carissa Mercure
GIRLS' HURDLES
1 - Mary Horner
2 - Kerri Gallagher
3 - Jennifer Gosselin
GIRLS' 250 LOOP
1 - Cassie Boucher
2 - Jennifer Speight
3 - Sheri Dupre
GIRLS' DOUBLE SHUTTLE
1 - Michelle Ushinski
2 - Shayne Piasta
3 - Sarah Hamilton
GIRLS' 50 JUMP ROPE
1 - Megan Swett
2 - Kirsten Fraiser
3 - Jennifer Gosselin
GIRLS' 25 JUMP ROPE
1 - Debbie Rodrigues
2 - Crystal Caron
3 - Rebecca Beatty
BOYS' 400
1 - Ray Richards
2 - Jesse Guzzetti
3 - Jared Beland

BOYS' 300
1 - Peter Devine
2 - Kevin True
3 - Bryan Richards
BOYS' 200
1 - Tony Morin
2 - Matt Orsi
3 - Paul Lamere
BOYS' 100
1 - Neil Norquist
2 - Kurt Bernier
3 - Billy Kacevich
BOYS' 75
1 - Ray Richards
2 - Mickey Going
3 - Mike Russell
BOYS' 50
1 - Bryan Richards
2 - Chris Gosselin
3 - Matt Toedt
BOYS' BASEBALL THROW
1 - Joe McMahon
2 - Jared Young
3 - Lance Hoague
BOYS' 25
1 - Ed Ross
2 - Joshua Harris
3 - Lance Hoague
BOYS' HURDLE
1 - Peter Devine
2 - Chris Lavalle
3 - Jonathan Corey
BOYS' 250 LOOP
1 - Tony Morin
2 - Norm Lussier
3 - Bob Kniskern
BOYS' DOUBLE SHUTTLE
1 - Matt Orsi
2 - Joshua Harris
3 (tie) - Norm Lussier and Jared Beland
BOYS' 50 SHUTTLE
1 - Jesse Guzzetti
2 - Mickey Going
3 - Neil Norquist
BOYS' 25 SHUTTLE
1 - Chris Gosselin
2 - Matt Bassett
3 - Paul Lamere



GRADE 2: Stephen Miller, Bob Piazza, Bruce Husson, and Ann Kach had five wins and three places to lead Mrs. Brisson's homeroom to an overpowering victory. The total team efforts of Mrs. Brisson's pupils proved enough to hold off a strong challenge from Mrs. Jacques' class, as the latter swept two wins in both the boys' and girls' relays. Turning in a perfect performance was Sherrie Roy, who won both her races and anchored the girls' relay team to capture the Blue Ribbon "Hat Trick." Excellent performances were turned in by double winners Jason Louis and Jennifer Murphy, and speedster Travis Williams.

BOYS' HURDLES
1 - Jason Louis
2 - Nick Watts
3 - Ryan Day
GIRLS' HURDLES
1 - Jennifer Murphy
2 - Ann Kach
3 - Katie Lawrence
BOYS' 400
1 - Jason Louis
2 - Travis Williams
3 - Billy Howard
GIRLS' 400
1 - Sherri Roy
2 (tie) - Erica Fox and Kelley Henry
BOYS' 300
1 - Bob Piazza
2 - Francis Wheeler
3 - Paul McQuade
GIRLS' 300
1 - Jennifer Murphy
2 - Brittany Dumais
3 - Shannon McCullough
BOYS' 100
1 - Travis Williams
2 - Bob Piazza
3 - Nick Watts
GIRLS' 100
1 - Sarah Nason
2 - Erica Fox
3 - Danielle Ward
BOYS' 50
1 - Stephen Miller
2 - Matt Mulhane
3 - Ryan Day

GIRLS' 50
1 - Sherri Roy
2 - Kelley Henry
3 - Michelle Piazza
OPEN JUMP ROPE
1 - Stephen Miller
2 - Bruce Husson
3 - (tie) John Wood and Nick Strom
OPEN 25
1 - Tom Piascik
2 - Marc Richardson
3 - Mike Dow
BOYS' BALL THROW
1 - Bruce Husson
2 - Adam Orsi
3 - Mike King
GIRLS' BALL THROW
1 - Ann Kach
2 - Kandi Yamanaka
3 - Kristin Gosselin
BOYS' RELAY
1 - Jacques (Day, Mulhane, Crehan, McQuade)
2 - Brisson
3 - Stead
GIRLS' RELAY
1 - Jacques (Fox, Grenier, Roy, Perry)
2 - Brisson
3 - Graf

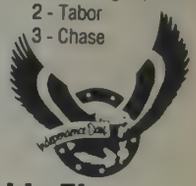
GRADE 3: Ronnie Perkins, Mike Yaskis, and Kathryn Davolio collected four wins and two seconds to lead Mrs. Tabor's homeroom to victory. Alex Tamburro, Barry Wilkinson, Brenda Collette, and Barbara Young spearheaded Mrs. Griffith's second place finish. Mr. Prior was the official starter for all Elmwood Field Days. Mr. Sullivan directed the meets, assisted by Mrs. Rogers, Mr. Montimurro, Mr. Millett, and Mr. Lussier. The Grade 3 meet concluded the three day festival.

BOYS' HURDLES
1 - Alex Tamburro
2 - John Caron
3 - Rodd Rawley
GIRLS' HURDLES
1 (tie) - Amanda Capuano and Marcia Gosselin
3 - Jennifer Martin
BOYS' 400
1 - Ron Perkins
2 - Rich Soroka
3 - Mike Briddon
GIRLS' 400
1 - Barbara Young
2 - Kadie Crowley
3 - Melissa Rainville

BOYS' 300
1 - Mike Yaskis
2 - Barry Wilkinson
3 - Adam Gawronski
GIRLS' 300
1 - Brenda Collette
2 - Jessica Jakubiak
3 - Colleen Crowley
BOYS' 100
1 - Ron Perkins
2 - Mike Roy
3 - Barry Wilkinson
GIRLS' 100
1 - Brenda Collette
2 - Carrie Pierpont
3 - Colleen Crowley

BOYS' 50
1 - Mike Collette
2 - Mike Yaskis
3 - Keith Army
GIRLS' 50
1 - Stacey Labrie
2 - Shannon Fitzgerald
3 - Barbara Young
OPEN JUMP ROPE
1 - Sara Beesley
2 - Kathryn Davolio
3 - Kristen Brunelle
OPEN 25
1 - Kathryn Davolio
2 - Sara Jean Rogers
3 - Jonathan O'Brien
BOYS' BALL THROW
1 - Todd Whitcraft
2 - Mike Sullivan
3 - Ricky Davis

GIRLS' BALL THROW
1 - Kim Prior
2 - Jayne Clawson
3 - Tina Freeman
BOYS' RELAY
1 - Griffith (Knight, O'Neil, Tamburro, Wilkinson)
2 - Baldino
3 - Chase
GIRLS' RELAY
1 - Lacey (Labrie, Martin, Rogers, LaPierre
2 - Tabor
3 - Chase



CASA Project Adds Five Volunteers

WORCESTER - The CASA Project of Worcester has added five volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocates to its rolls, increasing its number of CASAs to 50. The CASA Project is an organization that recruits, selects, and trains volunteers to become CASAs and act as guardian ad litem for children involved in the Worcester Juvenile and Probate Courts as victims of abuse or neglect or as subjects of custody disputes. After being appointed by a judge, the CASA independently investigates or monitors the case by talking to the children involved, parents, foster parents, lawyers, teachers and other school personnel, or other involved professional or community persons. This objective, concise report is submitted to the judge.

Timothy Buckalew of Westboro, Drusiall Guter of Grafton, Judith Nash of Brookfield, and Mary Moylan and Jocelyn Shaw of Worcester were sworn in by Judge William McManus, President Justice of Worcester County Probate and Family Court on June 19. These new CASAs have attended a series of training sessions that were conducted by Fran Lubin, Coordinator of Volunteers. These sessions included instruction on interviewing techniques, report writing, legal issues, stages of child development, and child abuse.

Tour Recreation Program

Robert Billington, President of the Blackstone Valley Tourism Council, has announced that a formal agreement has been signed with the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission to coordinate the Commission's 1989 Tour Recreation Program.

The council will be responsible for coordinating a series of canoe trips, train tours, and invitational bus tours of the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor. The purpose of the program is to expand public awareness of the nationally significant historic attributes, as well as the natural beauty of the valley, while providing high quality recreation.

Persons interested in obtaining the tour schedule for the Heritage Corridor should contact Donna Smith Houle at (401) 728-7710, or write BVTC, National Heritage Corridor Tours, P.O. Box 7663, Cumberland, RI, 02864.

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Named Manager of Protector Group's Millbury Office

WORCESTER - Kathleen M. Ryan, an Account Executive for The Protector Group Insurance Agency, Inc., has been named Manager of the agency's Millbury office, David R. Grenon announced today. In her new responsibilities, Ms. Ryan will oversee all insurance and administrative activities, which extend to several communities near Millbury.

A licensed Massachusetts property/casualty insurance broker, Ryan is preparing to receive the Certified Insurance Counselor designation. She participates in several professional and civic organizations, including the Worcester Chamber of Commerce.

The Protector Group Insurance Agency, Inc. is a full-service insurance agency with offices in Worcester, Millbury, Spencer, Barre, and Fitchburg.

National Scholarship Recipient

MILLBURY - Scott E. Pease received a $500 scholarship award from Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, Inc. (CSFA) through its National Chapter Awards Program. He is the son of Bruce and Leane Pease of 407 West Main Street. Students from communities supporting Dollars for Scholars chapters were eligible to participate in this national scholarship competition. Local applications were submitted by the Millbury Chapter for CSFA. Pease will be attending Worcester Polytechnical Institute this fall. He plans to major in Biomedical Engineering.

The National Chapter Awards Program is funded by corporate and foundation sponsors, CSFA Collegiate Partners, and by contributions from the Governing Board and staff of CSFA. This year's program distributed $44,000 in $500 awards to 88 students nationwide. Open to all Dollars for Scholars chapters, this year's National Chapter Awards Program drew 622 applications from 235 chapters throughout the country.

CSFA assists over 430 volunteer-operated community foundations throughout the United States. In addition, CSFA designs and manages scholarship programs for corporations, foundations and organizations.

Postmaster Asks for Dog Owners Cooperation

WORCESTER - With the arrival of warmer weather, Worcester Postmaster Philip C. Dennis has asked dog owners to help protect letter carriers, utility workers and other citizens from the dangers of dog bites.

Dennis said that nationally, more than 6,000 letter carriers were bitten by dogs last year. Dennis said that those statistics included injuries to twenty Worcester area letter carriers. "In recent years," he said, "the public has responded to our plea to keep their pets restrained, and we have seen a decline in bites nationally."

Dennis stressed that the Postal Service protects its carriers from dog bite hazards. Among remedies in situations when a pet owner fails to restrain a dog is interruption of home delivery to the residence or, in some cases, to entire neighborhoods. The Postal Service will also seek to recover worker's compensation damages and provides counseling to carriers who have been bitten and who wish to seek legal action against the dog owners.

"We suggest that pets be kept away from the mailbox and areas the letter carrier uses for access to the property," Dennis said. "If the pet cannot be kept behind a secure fence, the owner should restrain it with a secure leash or tether, or at least keep the pet inside the house during the usual hours carriers are making their rounds."

Assumption School Honor Roll

MILLBURY - Assumption School, 21 Grove Street, has announced the fourth quarter honor roll as follows:

GRADE 8
FIRST HONORS
Michelle McQuiston
Carmin Szynal
SECOND HONORS
Mark Brady
Aaron Kuchle
Eric Kuchle
Amy Cahill
Michelle Goudreau
Kristin Jalbert
Kim Kilgore
Rebecca Prince

GRADE 7
SECOND HONORS
Julianne Keenan
Jacqueline Croteau

GRADE 6
FIRST HONORS
Elizabeth Hackett
Danielle Heck
Jennifer Shields
SECOND HONORS
Stephen Cammuso
Joseph Szynal
Melissa Catacchio
Sara Ferraioli
Kathryn Hoye
Shannon Jalbert
Elisabeth LaBarre
Michelle Murphy
Christina Venincasa

13th Annual Road Race in Millbury

MILLBURY - The Millbury Parks Commission will hold its 13th annual 2.4 mile Road Race on Tuesday, July 4. Starting time will be 10:00 a.m. at the front entrance of Millbury Memorial High School on Martin Street. A registration fee of $3.00 will be charged for all participants over 14 years of age. Trophies will be awarded immediately after the completion of the race at Windle Field.

The route will be as follows: start on Martin Street (directly in front of the school), left onto North Main, left at Hamilton, left at Prospect, right at Leone, right at Miles, left at North Main, right at Grove, left at Waters, left at Elm, enter Windle Field for the finish.

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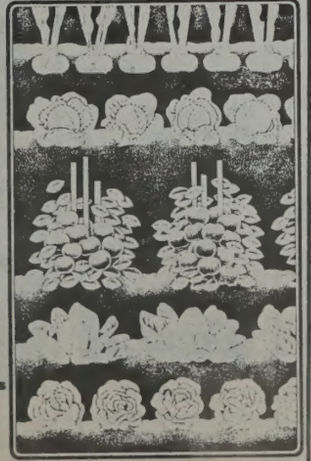

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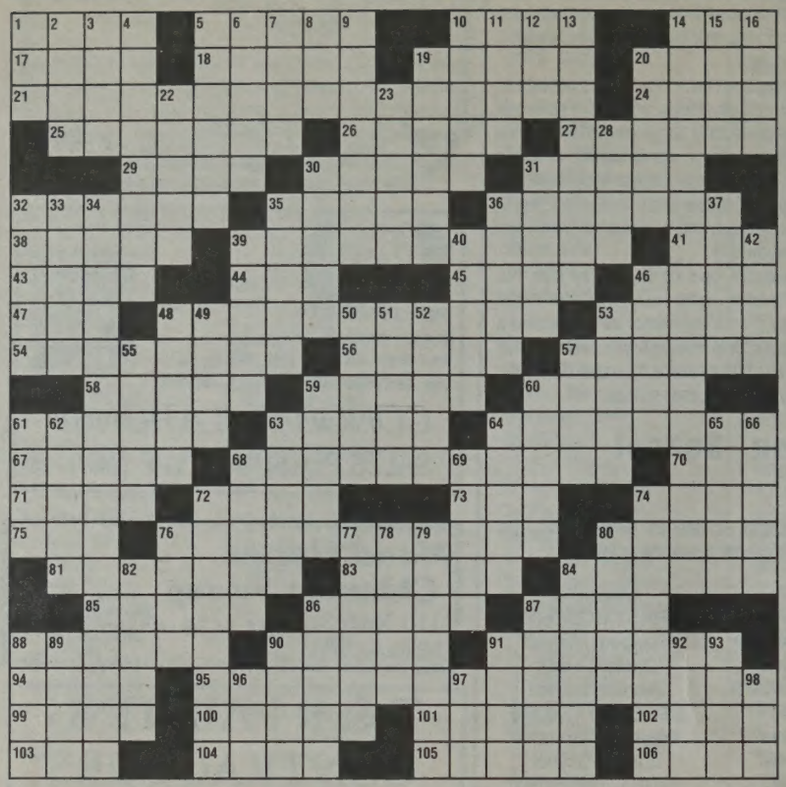

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30 Big and clumsy
31 Pundit
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36 Emulating Tillie
38 Muse of poetry
39 Sequel to "The Andy Griffith Show"
41 Starter's "weapon"
43 Certain cubs
44 Galena or bauxite
45 On the sheltered side
46 Off-B'Way award
47 "Balderdash!"
48 MGM founder
53 Unrefined
54 Neighborly
56 One of the Days
57 Corporate success route
58 Bogged down
59 TV boy raised by wolves
60 Competitive groups
61 Gyroscopic compass inventor
63 Fernando or Lorenzo
64 Landing field area
67 O'Neill's "The — Ape"
68 Regardless of future events
70 Nurtured
71 — Domini
72 Siamese
73 Golf instructor
74 Complacent
75 Obscure
76 Tennyson ballad
80 Stage in a process
81 Legal warnings
83 Small portion
84 Not a — (no chance)
85 Great Irish poet
86 Lewis Carroll's boojum
87 Mar
88 Eucharist offerings
90 Chain of hills
91 Most unyielding
94 Winglike
95 Housman's relieved remark
99 Writer Kingsley
100 Hang in midair
101 "Star Wars" Artoo —
102 River to the Ubangi
103 Elevator cage
104 Weedless garden
105 Ache
106 Peggy and Robert

DOWN

1 Alike: Prefix
2 "Woe is me!"
3 Hall of Famer Waite —
4 Insults
5 Fed with fuel
6 Pullman choice
7 Gave the once-over
8 Buzzing beetle
9 Yield
10 On Cloud Nine
11 Historic times
12 Relative of et al.
13 Biblical lady who looked back
14 Shakespeare's phrase for early blooms
15 Poilu's weapon
16 Slant
19 Strictly stag party
20 Dolphins' home
22 "The —' life's young day!" Motherwell
23 Kukla's friend
28 Nobelist in medicine: 1967
30 Vaudeville singer Nora
31 More teed-off
32 Winger from Ohio
33 Woolf's "— of One's Own"
34 1949 British film
35 Madame Curie
36 Mary Moore's middle name
37 Show the way
39 Form, in Fleet Street
40 Synthetic fabric
42 —-do-well
46 Law's partner
48 Clinton, of Big Band fame
49 Follow orders
50 "Eternal City" painter Peter
51 South American parrot
52 Embarrass
53 Teapot cover
55 Cloud type: Prefix
57 Fountain of Trevi coin
59 Keats poem
60 Carly or Neil
61 Herring's cousin
62 Lose one's wits
63 Rich soils
64 Up — (in difficulty)
65 Verdun's river
66 Garden tool
68 Huntley namesakes
69 "Peter Piper picked —..."
72 "— ticket!" ("right on!")
74 Deplorable
76 Binge
77 "Way Down — in New Orleans"
78 Bogs, briefly
79 Like Ethelred II
80 Boxer Carnera
82 Swerves
84 Absolution
86 Circe, for one
87 Unimportant
88 Mil. woman of WW II
89 Well-known mater
90 Dream, in Dijon
91 Greek cheese
92 Captain Hook's henchman
93 Story
96 Coal carrier
97 Formerly called
98 Agreeable reply

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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Mother Goose & Grimm
OH, STOP THAT.
I WISH I WEREN'T SO PREDICTABLE...EVERY TIME I THINK OF SOMETHING GOOD, HE'LL WRECK.
I WISH I COULD TRAIN IT NOT TO MOVE ANMORE IF I STAPLED IT TO THE FLOOR.
THERE, THAT SHOULD DO IT. TAKE SOMEBODY WILL NEVER MOVE.
OH, NOW I THINK OF SOMETHING GOOD... A BIG, JUICY HAMBURGER!
HEY, NOT BAD.
...A BIG, JUICY HAMBURGER WITH CORN CHIPS!!
HEY, IT'S WORKING, IT'S REALLY WORKING!!!
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OH, OH. TROUBLE.
WHAP WHAP WHAP WHAP WHAP

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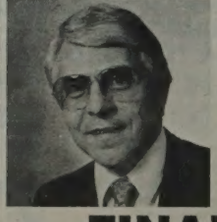

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Board of Selectmen
Invitation to Bid

Sealed general bids for "Floor to ceiling insulated walls for the Municipal Office Building" will be received by the Board of Selectmen, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, MA until 1:00 p.m. EST, July 5, 1989.

Drawings and specifications may be obtained from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays from the Millbury Planning Department. A $5.00 deposit is required for each set of drawings and specifications.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Awarding Authority: Town of Millbury Board of Selectmen, Jude Cristo, Chairman.

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R.J.T.

Thank You...

Thank You, St. Jude, for answering my prayers.
M.D.

What's the Difference?

By Pat O'Leary & Larry Ham

HOW TO PLAY: The answers to the two clues rhyme and the beginning consonant sounds are switched. For example: What's the difference between a neckwear fastener and a metal pan for baked desserts? One is a TIE PIN and the other is a PIE TIN. Sound counts, not spelling.

1. A parakeet's "can nots" and an orange vegetable's trousers?
A _____ and a _____

2. Newspapers in an auto and corn "grains" in a bottle?
_____ in a _____ and _____ in a _____

3. Mislaying "Ben Hur's" vehicle and selecting a lasso?
_____ a _____ and _____ a _____

4. A water lily and a fair-haired "dead-playing" animal?
A _____ and a _____

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ANSWERS: 1. A parrot's can'ts and a carrot's pants. 2. Journals in a car and kernels in a jar. 3. Losing a chariot and choosing a lariat. 4. A pond blossom and a blond possum.

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St. ANNE'S - MANCHAUG: Weekday Masses: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m.; Friday at 7:00 p.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Baptisms by appointment.

ST. MARK'S - SUTTON: Rev. Thomas V. Walsh, Pastor - Weekday Masses: 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.; Prayer Meeting: Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

SUTTON FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH: Rev. Andrew J. Bierkan, Pastor. SCHEDULE (July 2 - August 30): Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship with Crib & Toddler Room; Public Suppers (5-7 p.m.): July 1, Ham 'n Bean, $5; August 5, Chicken Briody, $5. Monthly Public Luncheons, 3rd Wednesday, from noon to 1 p.m., $3.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, MILLBURY, Telephone - 865-9737: Rev. Bruce MacLeod, Interim Minister - Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. - Church School 9:00 a.m.; Mondays 7:00 p.m., Diet Workshop; Deacons - First Thursday; Executive Board - Second Monday; Millbury Woman's Club - First Monday at noon.

MILLBURY FEDERATED: Methodist - Congregational Rev. Richard Mattozzi, Pastor - Sunday Services: Adult Worship, Youth Worship, Childcare - 10:00 a.m., Church School - 10:15 a.m., Coffee Fellowship - 11:00 a.m.; Bible Study: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.; Senior Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST, WEST SUTTON: The Rev. John Olson - Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.; 3rd Tuesday of each month - Women's Association meetings.

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UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 88 Main St., South Grafton. Member-Conservative Congregational Christian Conference: Pastor, Rev. Edward L. Marston, Jr.; Sunday Services - Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening Bible Study and Prayer, 7:00 p.m.

THE VILLAGE BIBLE CHURCH, meeting in the Raymond Memorial Church, Raymond Street, East Millbury: Pastor, Rev. Bruce Buchanan; Sunday Services at 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Sunday School, 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday night prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:00 p.m.

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Aroun' The Town & Golden Agers Update

By Lillian C. Sheehan

Sunday was a busy day for Millbury's Senior Citizens. Many were interested in "Open House" at the new Congregate Housing, and the weather was such that a large number of people turned out to go through the building and admire the furnishings etc., plus the areas outside for relaxing.

At 6 o'clock, they were treated to a concert on the common - Al Youngman and his band held an audience that had come from every direction as the sounds of his music emanated from the Common. The band was excellent, playing songs from 1935 on, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Incidentally, these concerts on the Common are made possible in part by the Massachusetts Arts Lottery, as administered by the Millbury Arts Council. "Happy" Erickson coordinates the program.

CENTERVIEW APARTMENTS: tenants are looking forward to another trip, this one to the popular Venus de Milo in Swansea, with shopping following. The date is Tuesday, July 18, and the bus will be leaving at 10 a.m. Choice of Menu will be Turkey, Scrod, or Ham.

Alta Bailey and Catherine McGovern are both patients at St. Vincent's Hospital. Best wishes for a speedy recovery!

The purpose of a handshake was originally to show that a person held no weapon in his hand.

WIT AND WISDOM

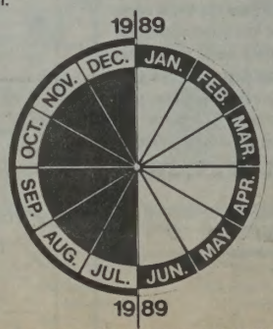
~ Everyone is a self-made person, but only the successful admit it.

~ An unusual child is one who asks questions that his parents can answer.

~ Sign in Public Library: "Books do not pause to deliver a message from their sponsors."

~ The man who never makes mistakes loses a great many chances to learn something.

~ Many speakers can rise to the occasion, but few know when to sit down.



HALFWAY POINT OF 1989-JULY 1

Youth Center Opens Doors

MILLBURY - The Millbury Youth Center officially opened its doors to local teenagers on Friday, June 23. According to Linda Johnson, Youth Activities Director, some 50 teens turned out for opening night and spent time talking and relaxing in the lounge, playing basketball, listening to music, and trying their skill at the arcade games. Johnson also noted that one of the more popular features of the center seems to be the telephone - some things never change!

We've blown the lid off!

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Hiram Walker Coffee Brandy	1.75 Lt.	$12.49

California Cellars (Assorted Flavors)	3 Lt.	$5.39
Gallo "White Grenache"	1.5 Lt.	$4.49
Bartles & Jaymes Coolers (Assorted Flavors)	4/Pk.	$2.79
Round Hill Blush Wine	1.5 Lt.	$4.79

Heineken	12 oz. Bottles	$15.29	+ dep.
Molson & Molson Light	12 oz. Cans	$12.29	+ dep.
Coors, Coors Light & Xtra Gold	12 oz. Cans	$10.99	+ dep.
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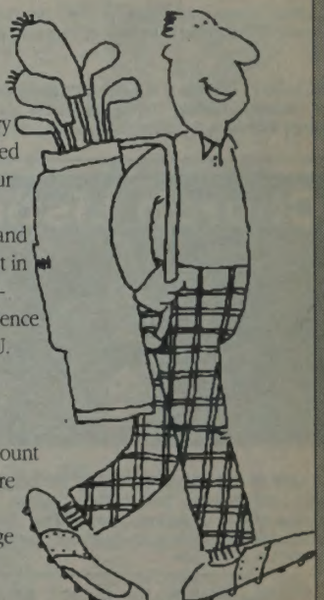

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